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Tempe Historic Preservation Commission [Tempe HPC] MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: Thursday, April 8, 2010

Location: Hatton Hall, 34 East Seventh Street

Commissioners

Present: Anne Bilsbarrow
Elias Esquer
Bob Gasser
Kriste Melcher

Alternates

Present: Charlie Lee

Staff Present:

Amy Douglass; Billy Kiser; Joe Nucci; John Southard; Mark Vinson

Public Present:

Linnea Caproni; Kolby Granville; Nathan Hallam; Vic Linoff; Lisa Roach; Woody Wilson

Call to Order: 6:00 PM, Bob Gasser, Chair

1. Call to Audience:

2. Approval of HPC Minutes: 3/11/10 Tempe HPC meeting

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE 3/11/10 MINUTES [CL], SECOND [AB]; **APPROVED:** UNANIMOUSLY, [5-0].

3. Discuss and Consider Historic Property Plaque Program

Presentation by Woody Wilson of Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation (THPF)

- Eisendrath House Rehabilitation Project
 - Partnership formed between THPF and Rio Salado Foundation
 - Eisendrath House promotional video shot last week
 - Importance of working relationship between THPF, HPC, and Rio Salado Foundation
- THPF Fundraiser for Eisendrath House rehabilitation
 - Will be held October 15 or 16, 2010 at the Eisendrath House
 - Will fund both Eisendrath rehabilitation as well as other preservation projects
 - Last fundraiser raised over \$40,000
- Q: Status of agreement with O'Connor House for \$600,000 in funds for the Eisendrath project. A: Agreement remains intact, THPF is in the process of collecting the funds
- History Property Plaque Program
 - 37 properties listed on Tempe Historic Property Register eligible for plaques
 - Plaques to be purchased by property owners – cost about \$100 each
 - Plaque program will be operational within two weeks
 - Sample plaque for Eisendrath House presented

4. Discuss and Consider Maryanne Corder Neighborhood Grant

- Presenters (Thomas and Buss) not in attendance. Woody Wilson filled in.
- Presentation made by HPO (Gasser, Nucci, Southard) at Borden Homes Neighborhood Commission meeting March 24, 2010.
 - Neighborhood associations have access to capital improvements budget
 - HPO suggested the University Heights Neighborhood Association obtain a National Register nomination for the Borden Homes Historic District
 - Proposal was well received

5. Discuss and Consider Hudson Manor Fieldwork

Presentation by John Southard, Historic Preservation Intern, and Joe Nucci

- Completed initial survey of Hudson Manor neighborhood
 - National Register Criterion "C" requirements used to determine eligibility of properties
 - Approximately 2/3 of properties eligible under Criterion "C"
 - Unit 1: 79% contributing
 - Unit 2: 61% contributing
 - Unit 3: 50% contributing
 - Unit 4: 88% contributing
- Staff suggests if district nomination is to be brought, it be based on Criterion "A" rather than Criterion "C"
 - Criterion "A" utilizes context of community planning and development rather than more stringent architectural guidelines of Criterion "C"
 - Criterion "A" may increase number of contributing properties based on National Register criteria considerations

CONSENSUS: STAFF TO SURVEY HUDSON MANOR UNDER CRITERION "A" AND REVISE FINDINGS MADE USING CRITERION "C" FOR PRESENTATION TO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

- Proposal to make presentation of fieldwork findings at next HMNC meeting (Joe Nucci)
- Research request being prepared for Tempe Historical Museum relative to awnings at Hudson Manor homes
- NA President Phil Amorosi should seek waivers from Hudson Manor property owners to proceed

6. Discuss and Consider Tempe Butte Pass-Thru Grant from SHPO (SRP-MIC match)

Presentation by Billy Kiser, Historic Preservation Intern

- Presentation of Tempe Butte petroglyph photographs taken by Kiser and Linoff
 - Photos to be used in National Register Nomination
 - Photos depict a variety of petroglyphs at various locations on Tempe Butte
- ASU-owned East Butte surveyed by Kiser
 - East butte has only minimal evidence of prehistoric petroglyphs
 - Large occurrence of modern (historic) rock art
- Kiser met with ASU archaeologist Dr. Arleyn Simon to verify previous research by Dr. Dittert relative to the East Butte.
- Dr. Patti Olson to draft letter of support for nomination from Arizona State University
- Completed National Register nomination to be submitted to SHPO for review next week

7. Discuss and Consider Revising Commission Rules of Procedure

- Rules of Procedure have not been revised since January, 2003
- Proposal to use a consent agenda in the event a quorum cannot be reached
 - In Rules of Procedure, add line under "order of business" to read, "a consent agenda may be presented by the chair at the beginning of the meeting."

Q: What is the benefit of having a consent agenda? A: If quorum is not reached, a consent agenda allows the museum administrator or the historic preservation officer to temporarily fill in for vacancies

CONSENSUS TO ADOPT RULES OF PROCEDURE ALLOWING COMMISSION USE OF CONSENT AGENDA

8. Discuss and Consider HPC Actions at Ad Hoc and Council Committees

- None

9. Discussion and Consider Chair / Staff Updates

- Douglass / Gitlis House
 - Documents prepared for Karen Gitlis outlining the entire preservation process through which the property has been
- AZ Senate Bill 1166 Re: Historic Property Tax Reduction
 - Bill is dead and no longer poses a threat to historic preservation
- 2009/2010 Pass-through Grant Progress Report detailing work of HP Interns to be delivered to SHPO
- Gaming grants submitted to GRIC and PYIC to extend intern program.
 - Grants would allow the employment of two interns for two years, beginning in September, 2010
- RAHD Design Guidelines
 - Final document mailed to all property owners of record April 5, 2010

- 2010 Arizona Historic Preservation Conference
 - Conference to be held in May in Flagstaff; several HPO staff and commission members to attend
- Tempe Historic Preservation Facebook page
 - John Southard created and maintains Facebook page for the program
 - Increases visibility to community and encourages dialog

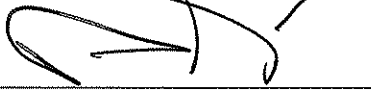
10. Current Events / Announcements / Future Agenda Items

- HPO will meet with the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation on April 21, 2010 to discuss implementation of the Historic Preservation Plaque Program.
- HPO will meet with the Tempe Neighborhood Advisory Commission on May 5, 2010 to discuss opportunities to coordinate program delivery.
- HPO will meet with the Hudson Manor Neighborhood Association to discuss designation and listing on the Tempe Historic Property Register in the near future.
- No HPC Meeting will be held in May; members and staff will be at the Annual Statewide CLG Conference in Flagstaff. Next regular HPC meeting will be on June 10, 2010.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM

Minutes scheduled for Tempe HPC approval on 06/10/10



Bob Gasser, Chair

FREQUENTLY USED ABBREVIATIONS OR ACRONYMS

CDD – City of Tempe Community Development Department: Established February 15, 2005, by City Manager Will Manley the CDD consists of six divisions; Economic Development, Housing Services, Redevelopment, Neighborhood Enhancement, Rio Salado/Town Lake, and Special Projects, as well as the Community Design Studio / City Architect. The Tempe Historic Preservation Office is an agency of the Special Projects Division.

CLG – Certified Local Government: In 1980, Congress established a framework for local preservation programs through an amendment to the National Historic Preservation Act empowering Arizona cities and counties to become Certified Local Governments (CLGs). Once certified, these entities are eligible for specialized assistance and funds for developing their own local preservation programs and entitled to comment on NR and other SHPO activities within their boundaries. The City of Tempe became a CLG in 1995.

DDA – Development & Disposition Agreement: a redevelopment contract between the City and one or more developers or redevelopers specifying terms and conditions for construction or reconstruction.

DSD – City of Tempe Development Services Department: dealing with Building Safety, Land Use, Planning and Zoning

DRC – City of Tempe Development Review Commission: volunteer board advising Mayor and Council on matters related to the built environment and administration of General Plan 2030 and the Zoning and Development Code.

HPAC – Historic Preservation Advisory Committee: Arizona State Parks is governed by the State Parks Board and receives direction and oversight from several advisory committees and groups such as the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee.

IEBC – International Existing Building Code: adopted by Tempe City Council by Ordinance No. 2005.89 on December 1, 2005, as part of the code body promulgated by the International Code Council, provides means for preservation of existing Tempe building inventory through reasonable and feasible code processes.

IRS – Issue Review Session: informal Mayor and Council public meeting where members of the public may come forward and talk with City Council during the “Call to the Audience” prior to regular Council meetings.

PAD – Planned Area Development: site plan overlay to define development standards for a specific project.

SHPO – State Historic Preservation Office: a division of Arizona State Parks, responsible for the identification, evaluation, and protection of Arizona's prehistoric and historic cultural resources; established by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

SRP-MIC – Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community: created by Executive Order on June 14, 1879 by President Rutherford B. Hayes, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) is located in Maricopa County, aside the boundaries of Mesa, Tempe, Scottsdale, Fountain Hills and metropolitan Phoenix.

Tempe HPC – Tempe Historic Preservation Commission: Created by Ordinance 95.35, adopted November 9, 1995. Members serve three year terms with the exception of the initial appointments; charged with administering the Tempe Historic Preservation Ordinance and Plan, as well as advising Mayor / Council on all matters related to historic preservation

Tempe HPF – Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation: A private nonprofit corporation established in 2005, Mission Statement 02.02.06 “The Tempe HPF advocates preserving Tempe’s at-risk historic properties and supporting worthy preservation projects through education, community participation, and fundraising.”

Tempe HPO – Tempe Historic Preservation Office: Responsible for the identification and conservation of Tempe’s prehistoric and historic cultural resources, the Office uses Federal, state, and city funding for the historic preservation program and assists owners of historic properties with grant applications, property maintenance, and preservation activities; provides staff support to the Tempe HPC.

THM – Tempe Historical Museum: Located at 809 E. Southern Avenue in Tempe, the Tempe Historical Museum is a center where the community comes together to celebrate Tempe's past and ponder the future. Permanent and changing exhibits, educational programs, and research projects generally focus on some aspect of Tempe's history within the context of state and national events.

TOD – Tempe Transportation Overlay District: placed to encourage appropriate land development and redevelopment consistent with and complementary to the community’s focused investment in transit, bicycle, and pedestrian infrastructure in certain geographic areas of the City; typically in association with the light rail.

ZDC – Zoning & Development Code: Adopted by Mayor and Council on January 20, 2005, effective February 22, 2005, the ZDC implements Tempe General Plan 2030 by encouraging creative development of the built environment in order to build a community that promotes the livability and uniqueness of Tempe; establishes zoning districts and development standards.